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FOLLOWING REPEAT BRUSSELS 3636 ACTION SECSTATE INFO NEW DELHI  
DATED FEB 24:

QTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L BRUSSELS 03636

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINR, IN, BE  
SUBJECT: INDIAN CANDIDATE FOR UN DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL

REF: STATE 39627

1. DURING HIS 1973-77 TOUR AS AMBASSADOR TO BELGIUM,  
EMBASSY BRUSSELS DID NOT HAVE OCCASION TO LOOK DEEPLY  
INTO THE CHARACTER AND ULTIMATE MOTIVATIONS OF K.B. LALL.  
THE ADVERSE JUDGMENT CITED IN REFTEL MAY BE ACCURATE, BUT  
WE HAVE NO CORROBORATIVE EVIDENCE OTHER THAN TO AGREE THAT  
THE FACE HE TURNS TO THE WORLD IS AMIABLE, CIVILIZED AND  
INTELLIGENT. THE DEALINGS OF THIS EMBASSY'S OFFICERS  
WITH LALL WERE ESSENTIALLY COLLEGIAL. IN SUCH A RELATION-  
SHIP HE WAS NOT-AND HAD NO NEED TO BE-DEVIOUS OR  
UNSCRUPULOUS.

2. LALL DID SHOW HIS HAND IN ONE SIGNIFICANT RESPECT.

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HE WAS ON EXCELLENT TERMS WITH SOME WELL-KNOWN INDIAN  
ADVERSARIES OF THE GANDHI GOVERNMENT HE REPRESENTED.  
SOME, PASSING THROUGH BRUSSELS, WERE HIS HOUSE GUESTS.  
HE DID NOT PERSONALLY PROMOTE THEIR VIEWS BUT MADE NO  
EFFORT TO KEEP HIS ANTI-INDIRA FRIENDS QUIET OR OUT OF  
SIGHT. EMBOFFS HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT HE AGREED WITH  
THEM. BE THAT AS IT MAY, HE DID NOT WEAR THE ASPECT OF

A MAN AFRAID. CHAMBERS UNQTE VANCE

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